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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : TSAI

Application No. : 10/076,288

Filed: February 29, 2002

Title : METHOD FOR PRODUCING CROSS-LINKED

HYALURONIC ACID-PROTEIN BIO-COMPOSITES

Group Art Unit : 1653

Examiner : A. Mohamed

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136 (a)

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136 for a <u>TWO-MONTH</u> extension of time for responding to the outstanding Office Action of July 2, 2004. The period for response is accordingly hereby extended to expire on <u>December 2, 2004</u>, by the filing herewith of a Petition for a two-month extension of time and payment of the required fee, which is still within the six-month statutory period for response.

The required fee as established by 37 CFR §1.17(a), (b), (c) or (d) pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §41(a)(8) is: \$430.00. Authorization is hereby given to charge **Deposit Account No. 501874** in the amount of \$430 to cover this fee. *A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed herewith*.

The Commissioner is also hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this petition to **Deposit Account No. 501874**.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 1, 2004 By:

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